# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
# COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
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TELEMEDICINE GUIDELINES
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**Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:**

(a) whether the Government has recently released a set of draft recommendations for telemedicine guidelines and announced the setting up of a committee to implement them;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has sought the views and recommendations for practice of telemedicine aimed at enhancing inter-operability among various telemedicine systems; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

## Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY(SU THIRUNAVUKKARASAR)

(a),(b),(c) and (d): Technical Working Group on Telemedicine Standardization set up by Department of Information Technology (DIT) has prepared a document "Recommended Guidelines & Standards for practiceof Telemedicine in India". The document includes introduction to telemedicine, definitions & concepts, standards required for hardware, software, data exchange and clinical devices to facilitate interoperability among various telemedicine systems. Document also includes security aspects and telemedicine process guidelines. System requirement for different classes and level of telemedicine centers have also been suggested. Document has been put up on DITwebsite (http://www.mit.gov.in/telemedicine/home.asp) to disseminate and receive views and feed back from wider cross section of users/concerned organisations for taking further implementation steps.